President's Council Meeting Summary April 23, 2008 8:30 a.m., CSS 301C

Attendance: Burcham, Duffett, Eisler, Flickinger for Oldfield, Green, Kamptner, Pilgrim, Postema;

Davison, Evans by phone

Action Item: Summary from the April 2, 2008 meeting was approved for posting.

Good News: Council members announced good news items from their division/area.

Discussions Items:

• 125th Anniversary Celebration

Guest: Mary Kay MacIver

GC Postema and Mary Kay MacIver, co-chairs of the 125th Anniversary committee, presented the ideas developed by the History Task Force along with the proposed budget, schedule, speakers, and events for the celebration. Council members provided suggestions and offers of assistance.

Evaluations

VP Duffett reminded the Council that it is time to complete employee evaluations; forms may be found online or at the Human Resources office. President Eisler requested that evaluations be completed by June 30th.

• Diversity Office

CDO Pilgrim updated the Council on ongoing diversity projects and reported on several upcoming events that will be good diversity opportunities. He then presented the program planned for Summer University. He shared a proposed poster displaying our newly approved "Core Values." President Eisler requested that he move forward with the core value project and add the mission and vision statements.

Enrollment

VP Burcham distributed data on current Fall 2008 application and decision numbers.

President Eisler

The President reminded Council members of the afternoon Employee Service Awards Ceremony and the inaugural Retiree Reception on April 29th in the Dome Room. He then presented the May 8-9 schedule and topics for the Board of Trustees working sessions; provided an update on the Provost search; mentioned the retirement of VP Rick Duffett and upcoming search; and discussed Unit Action Planning decisions, planning goals, initiatives, priorities and costs; and other planning topics to be completed during the summer.

• Other

VP Burcham will prepare a thank you opportunity for Admissions employees. VP Duffett reported that some endowments were not awarded, but will be by the end of the calendar year; he provided the 3rd quarter clerical part-time report; and stated his appreciation of support over his 33 years of service to Ferris State University. GC Postema reminded members of the House Appropriations Hearing on Monday, April 28 and the Lansing Legislative Luncheon on May 15. President Eisler

thanked Council members for their participation in his performance evaluation with Dr. John Moore.

• Agenda Items for the Next meeting: None.

Meeting adjourned 11:00am.

Next meeting date: The next PC meeting is scheduled for May 14.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner